

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2319 - SB 2447**

February 6, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates *The Vocational Disability Act of 1998*. Provides that a psychologist designated as a health service provider and who is acting in the scope of license limitations for psychologists, shall be permitted to testify as to the vocational disability of an injured employee as long as the report is based on the most recent edition of either the *American Medical Association Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment* or the *Manual for Orthopedic Surgeons in Evaluating Physical Impairment* in determining the degree of impairment.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**

Assumes some increase in expenditures for government related workers compensation claims, however such increase is not estimated to be significant for state or local government.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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